

Student Uniform Policy (High School)

The Board of Education has adopted a School Uniform Policy currently applicable only to high school students. All high school students are expected to wear an adopted school uniform that is consistent with the District Uniform Policy. A parent or guardian of a student may request for the student to be exempted from the uniform requirement on religious grounds. In order to exercise this option, the parent or guardian must present to the Superintendent a signed, written statement of objection detailing the grounds of objection.

High school students failing to comply with the School Uniform Policy will be provided with appropriate “loaned clothing” from the school’s uniform bank. If no such “loaned clothing” is available, the student will call home or be sent home to secure a change of clothes to comply with the Uniform Policy. The “loaned clothing” shall be returned no later than the end of the next school day. Non-compliance with the School Uniform Policy may result in disciplinary action.

Decatur Public Schools High School Uniform Expectations

1. Approved Colors:
 - a. EHS – black, grey, white
 - b. MHS – blue, black, grey, white
2. Approved Tops:
 - a. Solid, school-colored polo shirts, sweatshirts, cardigans, sweaters, vests, jackets, and school athletic/letterman jackets
 - b. School-issued polo shirts
 - c. Team/Club uniforms or shirts on competition days are allowed for team/club members only
3. Approved Bottoms:
 - a. Solid khaki or black pants, including cargo worn at the waist
 - b. Solid khaki or black knee-length skirts or shorts worn at the waist
 - c. Solid leggings/tights allowed in school colors under knee-length skirts only
4. Spirit Day Guidelines:
 - a. Building principals will work with student leaders (SYAC/Student Council) to identify dates and appropriate apparel for Spirit Days
 - b. Students may pay \$1 to wear jeans on Spirit Days to support the cause or activity
 - c. School hoodies are allowed on Spirit Days; hoods must be down during the school day
5. Items Not Allowed:
 - a. Hoodies (except on Spirit Days), yoga pants, house shoes, hats, scarves, doo-rags, bandannas and sweatbands on forehead
 - b. Logos that are the predominant feature of clothing
 - c. Clothing that interferes with the learning of other students
 - d. Clothing that contains profanity or references to alcohol or illegal substances

*** School uniforms should give students a sense of belonging to their high school and create an identity for the school. Please continue supporting our efforts to help our young people become responsible, caring, and productive citizens in our community.*